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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

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Dear Sir:

In response to the final Office Action mailed November 1, 2002, and in accordance with Rule 116 of the Rules of Practice, please enter and consider the remarks and amendments below intended to put this application into form for allowance. Applicants submit herewith: (a) Exhibit A, a marked up version of the claims amended herein; (b) Exhibit B, a copy of the claims that will be pending upon entry of this Amendment; (c) a Petition For Extension Of Time (in duplicate), accompanied by a provision authorizing payment of the required fee; (d) an Amendment Fee Transmittal (in duplicate), accompanied by a provision authorizing payment of the required fee; and (e) a Notice of Appeal From the Primary Examiner to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences (in duplicate), accompanied by a provision authorizing payment of the required fee.

It is estimated that no additional fee is required for filing this Amendment. However, should the Patent Office determine otherwise, please charge the necessary fee to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150.